



Instructions: Situation Report

The Situation Report (Sit. Rep.) provides Senior Management with high level information on developing, ongoing or concluded incidents or events of interest.

The Sit. Rep. should be:

- Short: one to two pages, written factually and impartially;
- Concise: use every word as efficiently as possible;
- Clear: keep it simple and to the point and include only what matters to the reader;
- Reliable: provide accurate information; point out missing information or questions about the information; and
- Readable: use plain language and white space, subheadings, lists and other means to make reading easier.

The following describes the sections of a Sit. Rep.:

- **Title:** A few key words that describe the issue succinctly.
- **Purpose:** In one sentence, explain why the Sit. Rep. is being written. Information only; action (decision or final approval required); or briefing for upcoming meeting: specify date, time, location and with whom.
- **Issue:** In one sentence, identify the issues. Clarify misinformation generated by media or others; provide update on emerging issues; provide update on individual or a group posing a threat; and/or explain the impact of legal (or policy) changes for the RCMP.
- **Background:** In 3 or 4 bullets, provide enough background or contextual information to give an understanding of the issue. What is relevance of issue to RCMP; what are the implications; what is history of the issue; and what is being said about the issue and by whom?
- **Current Status:** Advise of the most salient and recent information available. Highlight the current status and/or progress to date in order that action can be determined. Status and evolution of emerging issue to date; status of investigation; and stage or phase new legislation or policy is at.
- **Strategic Considerations** (if applicable): Factors that could affect our ability to respond to the issue.
Indicate sensitive or political elements to be considered; potential impact of the issues on the RCMP, our Minister, and/or the Government of Canada; inter-agency or interdepartmental issues to consider or cooperation, and specify significant obstacles or challenges that may hinder the RCMP's progress or handling of the issue; outline the potential outcome or risks if no action is taken; and indicate political statements (if any) made about this issue.
- **Strategic Communications** (if applicable): State internal and/or external communications considerations.
Indicate national/media/public/political implications and if the DG, Public Affairs has been advised; impact on employees or operations and has a communications strategist been advised; has a communications plan been developed for both internal and external audiences; and attach existing media lines which may have been prepared.
- **Recommendations / Strategic Advice** (if applicable): Identify follow-up actions or advice.
State strategic advice warranted on the issue; outline options; state critical dates and/or events of which Senior Management should be made aware; indicate who else should be notified of this information; and state areas that require further follow-up or research.
- **In Consultation with:** Identify groups or individuals consulted in preparation of this Sit. Rep. Indicate "Nil" if consultation was not required.
- **Prepared by:** Name and rank of writer.
- **Signature - Submitted by Name**
 - NHQ: Director General
 - Div.: Supervisor, Manager, NCO i/c or Director
- **Signature - Recommended by Name**
 - NHQ: Assistant Commissioner
 - Div.: Director, Director General or Deputy Criminal Operations Officer
- **Signature - Approved by Name**
 - NHQ: Deputy Commissioner
 - Div.: Criminal Operations Officer or Commanding Officer
- **Signature - Reviewed by Name**
 - NHQ: Senior Deputy Commissioner
 - Div.: Not Applicable or Commanding Officer



Situation Report

D Division - Freedom Convoy - Support Rally/Demonstration - Manitoba

PURPOSE:

- To provide the Commissioner with information regarding concurrent Support Freedom Convoys in area in Manitoba

ISSUE:

- Freedom Convoy Support demonstrations are continuing in many jurisdiction in Manitoba
Update for February 12th, 2022 1800hrs.

BACKGROUND:

- The Support Freedom Convoy was created as a means for truckers and others to demonstrate against cross-border Covid vaccine mandates and in support of the Freedom Convoy in Ottawa.

CURRENT STATUS/EMERGING EVENT:

- As of 1700hrs the Emerson POE remains blockaded. All other POE within Manitoba remain open and have no protesters.
 - A large number of farm equipment, semi tractors, trailers and other vehicles remain on site.
 - Division Liaison Team continued efforts throughout the day to meet with lawyer who is representing the protesters. DLT updated site commander and DANCO and will continue to identify an on site spokesperson. Focus remains in resolution of the blockade at the POE. Later this afternoon DLT's located and met with **Personal Info.** at the protest site. DLTS outlined potential charges that the group may face including Provincial Highway Traffic Act and Criminal Code as well as the potential seizure of trucks and farm equipment being used. Overwater to provide this information to the larger group. Some of the protest group advised that they are concerned about their own farm operations as well as potential action of the Canada Revenue Agency.
 - During the day, protesters were allowing free movement of all livestock transport, CBSA employees, emergency services vehicles and not impeding residential traffic from the town of Emerson.
 - A church service is still planned for the protest site for 100hrs tomorrow. DLTs plan to meet with Overwater again following the service. DLTs are aware that the focus remains to have the blockade taken down.
 - Should additional POEs be blocked by protesters or any significant escalation of the protest occur, D Div DEOC will be stood up.
- OTHER KNOWN/PLANNED EVENTS: Saturday February 12th
- All other planned or known events this date in Manitoba took place without any significant issues. A majority of the support convoys from outside Winnipeg are believed to have converged on the Manitoba Legislature to further support that protest.
 - A large number of anti-protest persons were also in attendance at the Manitoba Legislature.
 - At the time of this report there have been no reports of violence between the groups. Winnipeg Police Service has a large presence on site.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

- Situations are on-going and will be continuously monitored. At present D Division has sufficient resources available to manage these concurrent events.

- D Division Criminal Operations is holding an operational planning session (resource assessment, contingency and operational planning. D Division Tactical Support Group has been advised. No request for deployment of TSG resources as yet.

- D Division Communication is engaged with prepared messaging for the public and responses to media inquiries.

Signatures		
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